

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN
DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI, GREENVILLE DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, plaintiff

against

Cecil C. Campbell, Circuit court clerk and registrar of Sunflower County, And
the State of Mississippi.

The court ordered and decreed that:

1. Cecil C. Campbell the registrar of Sunflower county, or persons acting for him or taking his place as registrar were enjoined from making any distinction based on race in the process of registering voters in Sunflower.
2. For one year after this order any person connected with registering voters in Sunflower county is ordered not to use any qualification for registering Negroes which is more difficult or complicated than that used for whites.

THESE PROCEDURES ARE TO BE AS FOLLOWS:

- A. All applicants must be given the opportunity to complete the registration process fully during the normal business hours in a single and complete process.
- B. That more than one applicant must be taken at the same time and that if groups of people apply the process must not be restricted to less than four applicants at the same time. The registrar cannot waste time by forcing one person to apply at a time.

THE APPLICANTS MUST QUALIFY ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING STANDARDS:

1. He must be a citizen and at least 21 years old at the time of the next election under state laws.
2. He must have resided in state for 2 years and in the district he intends to vote in for one year.
3. He is willing to swear allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the State of Mississippi as evidence of his intentions to embrace the duties of citizenship.
4. He is not disqualified by reason of conviction of disqualifying crime, or insanity or idiocy.
5. He must demonstrate his ability to read and write by answering questions 1 thru 18 of the standard form and by copying four lines from the constitution. The section is to be chosen by the applicant by lot, (Picking one out of a hat).

ALSO, IN REGARD TO PREVIOUS REGISTRATION ATTEMPTS

The registrar is order to re-examine the applications of 33 persons named, and to register them if their applications meet these standards. These persons whose applications don't meet the standards must be allowed to try again, under the standards of this order.

The registrar must re-examine the applications of the persons ordered provisionally registered by the court order of October 1964 and if the applications meet the standards set forth in this order, they must be registered permanently. If not, they must be notified and given the chance to apply again under these standards.

The registrar shall not reject any applicant for registration to vote in Sunflower County because of any error or omission on the application form, (anything left out), if the error or omission is not crucial in determining whether or not the applicant is qualified.

The registrar is required to file a written monthly report with the court and the Justice Department. This report must include names and dates of all applications, as well as the race of the applicant. If the applicant is not registered, the registrar must give specific reasons for rejecting the applicant.

The registrar must make all records and applications to register available to the Justice Department at any and all reasonable time for the purpose of inspection.

The court also retained jurisdiction in order that any further orders that may become necessary or appropriate for the purpose of modifying or enforcing the order.

THIS IS NOT A TRANSCRIPT OF THE ORDER, BUT AN OUTLINE OF ITS PROVISIONS, PREPARED FOR YOUR USE BY THE MISSISSIPPI FREEDOM DEMOCRATIC PARTY.